

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 4, at line 7 as shown below:

In view of the foregoing, an object of the invention is to provide a Ro-scul (i.e., a sculling oar), in which the operator is required to use only a small force by suppressing the resistance caused by the vortexes to the minimum during the turn-over, and thereby the high-speed cruise can be realized.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 4, at line 11 as shown below:

In order to solve the above problem, a Ro-scul according to the invention is characterized by having a Ro-blade (i.e., second scull arm) which has a flat part (i.e., a flat scull blade), one end of the Ro-blade ~~being~~ to be located under a water surface; and a Ro-arm (i.e., a first scull arm) which is attached to the other end of the Ro-blade at a position where the Ro-blade is operated with reference to a position where the flat part becomes perpendicular to the water surface.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 4, at line 17 as shown below:

Further, in a Ro-scul according to the invention, the Ro-blade is joined to a connection part which is joined to a fin parallel to the flat part of the Ro-blade near a distal end portion of the other end of the ~~Ro-scul~~ Ro-blade which is not joined to the Ro-arm.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 6, at line 4 as shown below:

As for the Ro-scul, the Ro-scul of the embodiment differs from the conventional Ro-scul in that the Ro-scul of the embodiment includes a Ro-blade 2 (i.e., a second scull arm 2) having a flat part 12 (i.e., a flat scull blade 12) perpendicular to a Ro-arm 1 (i.e., a first scull arm 1). Because the Ro-scul of the embodiment may be formed when the front edge f is located on the lower side and the rear edge r is located on the upper side, the attachment of the flat part 12 to the Ro-arm 1 is not limited to a perpendicular direction. It is also possible that the flat part 12 is attached substantially perpendicular to the Ro-arm 1. In the conventional Ro-arm 102, the Ro-arm 102 is attached to the Ro-blade 101 while the upper

end portion of the Ro-blade 101 is covered with the Ro-arm 102 so that the Ro-arm 102 is set in parallel with the water surface. On the other hand, the Ro-arm 1 of the invention is attached to the upper end portion of the Ro-blade 2 from the obliquely lower side. Namely, the Ro-arm 1 of the invention is characterized in that the Ro-arm 1 and the Ro-blade 2 are fixed to each other while the Ro-arm 1 "receives" the Ro-blade 2. As is apparent from FIG. 1, in the Ro-blade 2 of the Ro-scutt according to the invention, like the conventional Ro-blade 101, it is possible that a region where the Ro-blade 2 is joined to the Ro-arm 1 may not be flat part 12. A Ro-handle 3 is arranged not on the upper surface side but on the lower surface side of the Ro-arm.